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8 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**
9 **NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**

10 DOUGLAS KEANE.

CASE NO. C 07-06074 EMC

11 Plaintiff/Counter-Defendant,

12 v.

**CONSENT TO PROCEED
BEFORE A UNITED STATES
MAGISTRATE JUDGE**

13 ATLAS HOSPITALITY GROUP,
HEDMARK VIII, LLC, JUSTIN B.
14 MYERS and DOES 1 TO 100,

15 Defendants, and

16 WESTLAND FINANCIAL III, LLC

17 Defendant/Counter-Claimant

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20 In accordance with the provisions of Title 28, U.S.C. Section 636(c), the
undersigned parties in the above-captioned civil matter hereby voluntarily consent to
21 have a United States Magistrate Judge conduct any and all further proceedings in the
22 case, including trial, and order the entry of a final judgment. Appeal from the judgment
23 shall be taken directly to the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit.
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25 Dated: January 15, 2008

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